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LCO No. 9208



Offered by:

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 366

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN MICROBIALS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 22a-65 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 5 passage):
- 6 (d) [The commissioner shall establish a Pesticide Advisory Council
- 7 consisting of, but not limited to, the director of the Agricultural
- 8 Experiment Station, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the
- 9 Commissioner of Public Health, and the dean of the college of
- 10 agriculture of The University of Connecticut or their respective
- 11 designees. The council shall meet at least annually and the
- 12 commissioner may consult with the Pesticide Advisory Council on

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13 technical matters involving the application and use of pesticides, the

- 14 determination of imminent hazards and the unreasonable adverse
- 15 effects on the environment before promulgating regulations or orders
- 16 in carrying out this part, subsection (a) of section 23-61a and sections
- 17 23-61b and 23-61f.] (1) There is established a Pesticide Advisory
- 18 Council that shall consist of: (A) The Commissioner of Energy and
- 19 Environmental Protection, who shall serve as chairperson of said
- 20 advisory council; (B) the Commissioner of Public Health; (C) the
- 21 <u>Commissioner of Agriculture; (D) the Commissioner of Education; (E)</u>
- 22 <u>the Commissioner of Transportation;</u> (F) the director of the
- 23 Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station; and (G) the dean of the
- 24 College of Agriculture of The University of Connecticut; or said
- 25 <u>commissioners' or dean's designees.</u>
- 26 (2) The Pesticide Advisory Council shall meet at least annually and
- 27 shall advise the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
- 28 Protection on technical matters involving the application and use of
- 29 pesticides, the determination of imminent hazards and the
- 30 <u>unreasonable adverse effects on the environment before adopting</u>
- 31 regulations or orders in carrying out the provisions of this part,
- 32 <u>subsection (a) of section 23-61a and sections 23-61b and 23-61f.</u>
- 33 (3) Such council shall, on an ongoing basis, review organic and
- 34 synthetic pesticides for safety and effectiveness and report the results
- 35 of such review to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
- 36 <u>Protection for consideration in adopting regulations. The</u>
- 37 <u>commissioner shall, in consultation with the council, create, publish</u>
- 38 and regularly update a report on best practices regarding the safe and
- 39 <u>effective use of synthetic and organic pesticides by municipalities. In</u>
- 40 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, such report shall be
- 41 <u>submitted annually, on or before January fifteenth to the joint standing</u>
- 42 <u>committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters</u>
- 43 <u>relating to the environment.</u>

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- Sec. 2. Section 22a-65 of the general statutes is amended by adding
- subsection (e) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

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(NEW) (e) The commissioner may establish a regional purchasing program through which municipalities or regional councils of government may purchase pesticides for a reduced price.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall, in consultation with the Pesticide Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22a-65 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, review the integrated pest management monitoring Internet web site maintained by the state of Massachusetts for the purpose of determining whether to create a similar resource in the state of Connecticut. The commissioner shall submit a recommendation on such establishment to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment not later than February 1, 2016."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	22a-65(d)
Sec. 2	from passage	22a-65
Sec. 3	from passage	New section